WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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- 1. An information processing apparatus which processes information of a control parameter used in an exposure system, comprising:
- an acquisition unit which acquires, from the exposure system, the parameter information and format information required to inform a user with respect to the control, based on the parameter information; and
- a generation unit which generates information to

 10 be informed to a user with respect to the control based
 on the parameter information and the format
 information.
 - 2. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said generation unit includes a converting unit which converts the parameter information into information compliant with the format information.
 - 3. An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said generation unit generates the information to be informed based on the information obtained by said converting unit and the format information.
 - 4. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said generation unit includes a condition setting unit which sets image display condition.
- An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said
 acquisition unit acquires software for editing at least one of the parameter information and the format information together with the parameter information and

the format information.

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- 6. An apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the software includes a program.
- 7. An apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the software is described in one of a markup language and a script language.
 - 8. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the information to be informed includes information about at least one of a shot layout and a sample shot.
- 9. An information processing method of processing information of a control parameter used in an exposure system, comprising steps of:

acquiring, from the exposure system, the parameter information and format information required to inform a user with respect to the control based on the parameter information; and

generating information to be informed to a user with respect to the control based on the parameter information and the format information.

20 10. An information processing apparatus used for an exposure system, said apparatus comprising:

a generation unit which generates format information required to inform a user with respect to a control parameter used in the exposure system, based on the control parameter; and

an output unit which outputs the parameter information and the format information out of said

apparatus.

- 10. An apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said output unit outputs software for editing at least one of the parameter information and the format information together with the parameter information and the format information.
- 12. A apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the software includes a program.
- 13. A apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the
 10 software is described in one of a markup language and a script language.
 - 14. A apparatus according to claim 10, further comprising a reception unit which receives the control parameter from the exposure system.
- 15 15. A apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said output unit transmits the parameter information and the format information to another information processing apparatus.
- 16. A apparatus according to claim 11, further
 20 comprising a transmitting unit which transmits a control parameter edited using the software to the exposure system.
 - 17. A apparatus according to claim 10, wherein information to be informed based on the format
- 25 information includes information about at least one of a shot layout and a sample shot.
 - 18. A method adapted to an information processing

apparatus used for an exposure system, said method comprising steps of:

generating format information required to inform a user with respect to a control parameter used in the exposure system, based on the control parameter; and outputting the parameter information and the

format information out of the apparatus.